orational. 4 Air-crafts are unsevice-able because these are old aircrafts and the spare parts are not available in the global market. However, un-serviceability of these aircrafts does not amount to compromising the security of the country.

Prostitution at the New Delhi Railway Station

2382. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
DR: ALLAEVI P. RAJKU
BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report Hppering in "The Hindustan Times' (Magazine Section) dated the 2nd July, 1997 regarding rampant prostitution at the New Delhi Railway Station organised by gangs of pimps; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by Goverimient to identify the gangs involved jn 'the flesh trade at the Railway Station involving both girls and boys and *to* end the menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Delhi Police have reported that no such organised activity at New Delhi Railway Station has come to notice. However, the staff posted at New Delhi Railway Station has been briefed/instructed to be alert about any such activity.

Formation of Govetnment on Non-absolute majority

2383. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL:
SHRI BANGARU LAXMAN;

Will the Mmister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
(a) whether the President of India had called a Conference of Governors and leaders of political parties in June this year to help evolve consen sus to help the President and Gov ernors to exercise their powere for forming Government by inviting lea ders of parties or groups of parties, constitutionally and judiciously;

(b) if so, what consensus was arrived thereat; and

(c) Government's reaction, if any, thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) A Conference of Governors was held on 2nd and 3rd June, 1997 at which the leaders of political parties were also invited. The main theme of the Conference was "The Role of the Constitutional Head, when, following an election, no party or combination of parties appears to have secured a majority."

In the Conference, the leaders of major political parties and other participants shared their views on the complexities inherent in the situation forming the theme of the Conference. It is felt that the Conference may well have succeded in initiating and enlarging a wider process of appreci- ation and assessment of the subject. This will lead to a more informed outlook all around. In turn, this will